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In re Application of: Ian McROBERT

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 14, 2007, applicant hereby provisionally elects, with traverse, to prosecute the claims of Group I (claims 1-14) in this application.

However, applicants respectfully traverse the restriction requirement since the subject matter of claims 1 - 16 is sufficiently related that a thorough and complete search for the subject matter of the elected claims would necessarily encompass a thorough and complete search for the subject matter of the non-elected claims. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that search and examination of the entire application could be made without serious burden. See MPEP §803 in which it is clearly stated that "[i]f the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the

merits." It is respectfully submitted that this policy should apply in the present application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to applicants and improper duplicative examination by the Patent Office.

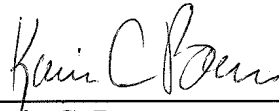
If the Examiner believes that contact with Applicant's attorney would be advantageous toward the disposition of this case, the Examiner is herein requested to call Applicant's attorney at the phone number noted below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446.

Respectfully submitted,

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